Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Officer Involved Shooting

Report Date: 04/29/2019	Bureau/Station/Facility: Internal Affairs Bureau	Admin. Invest.? [ ] Hit? [✓]

Incident Information

URN: 017-03859-0491-055	Date: March 14, 2017 Time: 1431 hours
City or Station: Norwalk Station	Nature of Incident: During a surveillance operation by the OSS-GSU team, the suspect was located and pointed a gun at Det. Landreth. Det. Landreth shot the suspect six times in the torso and lower body.
Location: [redacted] Mulberry Drive, Whittier	

Location Type (*check one or more*):
- [ ] Backyard
- [ ] Beach
- [ ] Business
- [ ] Freeway
- [ ] Industrial
- [ ] Park
- [ ] Parking Lot
- [✓] Residence
- [ ] Rural
- [ ] School
- [✓] Street
- Other:

Lighting (*check only one*):
- [ ] Darkness
- [✓] Daylight
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Street Lights

Weather (*circle only one*):
- [✓] Clear
- [ ] Cloudy
- [ ] Fog
- [ ] Rain

Distance: 2'-3'

Incident Type (*check one or more*):
- [ ] Accidental
- [✓] Armed Person
- [✓] Fleeing Suspect
- [ ] Foot Pursuit
- [ ] Gun Take Away
- [ ] Moving Vehicle
- [ ] Sniper/Ambush
- [ ] Startle
- [ ] Struggle Involved
- [✓] Traffic Stop
- [ ] Unarmed Person
- [ ] Unintentional
- [ ] Vehicle Pursuit
- [ ] Warrant Service
- [ ] Warning Shot
- Other: Surveillance

Initiated by (*check only one*):
- [✓] Arrest Warrant
- [ ] Call
- [ ] Observation
- [ ] One Person Unit
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Search Warrant
- [ ] Two Person Unit

Prior Activity (*check only one*):
- [✓] Detective
- [ ] Inmate Transport
- [ ] Other
- [ ] Routine Patrol

Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy: Six

Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect: None

Aero Unit? [✓] Canine Unit? [ ]

Employee Witnesses

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (*check only one*)	ShiftType (*check only one*)
[redacted]	Rodriguez	David	J.	[ ] EM [✓] PM [ ] Day	[✓] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[ ] EM [✓] PM [ ] Day	[✓] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty
[redacted]	Navarrette	Adam	M.	[ ] EM [✓] PM [ ] Day	[✓] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty

Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name: [redacted]		First Name: [redacted]		M.I.: [redacted]	
Street Address: [redacted]	City: [redacted]	Zip Code: [redacted]	Work Ph: [redacted]	Home Ph: [redacted]	
Last Name: [redacted]		First Name: [redacted]		M.I.: [redacted]	
Street Address: [redacted]	City: [redacted]	Zip Code: [redacted]	Work Ph: [redacted]	Home Ph: [redacted]	
Last Name: [redacted]		First Name: [redacted]		M.I.: [redacted]	
Street Address: [redacted]	City: [redacted]	Zip Code: [redacted]	Work Ph: [redacted]	Home Ph: [redacted]	

Supervisors

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(*check one or more*)
[redacted]	Valencia	Joseph	L.	[✓] On Duty [ ] Present during shooting [ ] Witness to shooting [ ] Involved in shooting
				[ ] On Duty [ ] Present during shooting [ ] Witness to shooting [ ] Involved in shooting

Watch Sergeant

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Cunningham	Jason	M.

Watch Commander

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Dusky	Jeff	W.

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Rollout Information

Arrival Date	Arrival Time	Date Submitted	Date of Recommendation
03/14/17	1500 hrs	04/29/2019	

Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
[redacted]	Maldonado	Albert	M.
[redacted]	Chahine	Nader	H.
[redacted]	Moore	David	L.

Shooting / Force Information

Method

(AW) Arwen
(BC) Baton:(Control)
(BI) Baton:(Impact)
(BF) Bodily Fluids
(CN) Canine
(CR) Carotid Restraint
(CH) Choke Hold
(CT) Control Holds:(Control Techniques)
(TT) Control Holds:(Team Takedown)
(TD) Control Holds:(Takedown)
(CE) Chemical
(OC) Chemical Agents (OC Spray)
(TG) Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)
(EX) Explosives
(FH) Firearm (Handgun)
(FR) Firearm (Rifle)
(FS) Firearm (Shotgun)
(FO) Firearm (Other)
(FB) Flashbang
(FL) Flashlight
(OE) Other Weapon: Edged
(OV) Other Weapon: Vehicle
(OB) Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(OO) Other Weapon: Other
(PK) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(PS) Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(PH) Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(PP) Personal Weapon (Push)
(PO) Personal Weapon (Other)
(RS) Resistance
(CN) Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(RH) Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(HB) Restraint Device:Hobble (Legs Only)
(TP) Restraint Device:Hobble (TARP)
(RE) Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(SP) Sap
(SH) Shield
(SG) 37mm Stinger
(SB) Sting Ball
(ST) Stun Bag
(TR) Taser
(UC) Uncooperative

Type of Injury

(AB) Abrasion
(BR) Bruise
(BU) Burn
(CP) Complaint of Pain
(CO) Concussion
(DH) Death
(DI) Dislocation
(DB) Dog Bite
(FR) Fractures
(GS) Gunshot
(HB) Human Bite
(LC) Lacerations
(ND) Nerve Damage
(OD) Organ Damage
(PA) Paralysis
(PW) Puncture Wound
(SD) Soft Tissue Damage
(ST) Sprain/Twists
(UN) Unconscious
(RM) Refused Med Treatment
(NN) NONE

Body Part Injured

(AD) Abdomen
(AK) Ankle
(AR) Arm
(BK) Back
(BT) Buttocks
(CH) Chest
(EL) Elbow
(FA) Face
(FE) Feet
(FI) Fingers
(GE) Genitals
(GR) Groin
(HD) Hand
(HE) Head
(HI) Hip
(IN) Internal
(KN) Knees
(LE) Leg
(NK) Neck
(SH) Shoulder
(WR) Wrist

Brand

(AK) AK-47
(BN) Benelli
(BR) Beretta
(BW) Browning
(CH) Charter Arms
(CO) Colt
(DA) Davis Industries
(GL) Glock
(HA) Harrington & Richardson
(HI) Hi Standard
(HK) H & K
(IT) Ithica
(IV) Iver Johnson
(JE) Jennings
(LO) Lorcin
(LU) Luger
(MA) Marlin
(MO) Mossberg
(NC) NCI aka SKS
(NA) North American
(NO) Norinco
(RA) Raven
(RM) Remington
(RG) RG
(RI) RGI
(RO) Rossi
(SW) Smith & Wesson
(SR) Sturm Ruger
(SS) SIG Sauer
(ST) Sterling
(TA) Taurus
(WE) Weatherby
(WN) Winchester
(US) US Government
(YY) Handmade (Inmate)
(XX) Homemade (Non-Inmate)
(ZZ) Other Brand

Caliber

(9) 9 mm
(10) 10 mm
(12) 12 guage
(20) 20 guage
(21) .22-250
(22) .22 caliber
(23) .223 caliber
(24) .243 caliber
(25) .25 caliber
(30) .308 caliber
(35) .357 caliber
(36) 30-60 caliber
(38) .38 caliber
(40) .40 caliber
(41) .410 guage
(44) .44 caliber
(45) .45 caliber
(50) 50 mm
(SL) Slug
(WW) Other caliber

FORCE APPLIED *(one code per block)*

Used By (E# or S#)	Used Against (E# or S#)	Method (Code)	Brand (Code)	Caliber (Code)	Authorized Weapon? (Y/N)	Authorized Ammunition? (Y/N)	Type of Injury (Code)	Body Part (Code)
S#1	E#1	UC					NN	N/A
S#1	E#1	FH	SW	40			NN	N/A
E#1	S#1	FH	SW	9	Y	Y	GS	CH, GR, AR

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Involved Employee Information

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Involved Employee

E 1

Employee # [redacted]	Last Name: Landreth	First Name: Matthew	M.I.: D.
Sex: M Race: W	Rank: DSG	Unit Assignment: Operation Safe Streets	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): GSU-Team
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): [ ] EM [x] PM [ ] Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): [x] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? [ ]	Substance Used:
Hospital Admission? [ ]	Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? [ ]	Coroner Case #: Interviewed? [x]
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: 6-8 hrs	Duty Time (hrs): [redacted]	Clothing (*circle only one*): [x] Plain Clothes no Vest [ ] Plain Clothes w/ Vest [ ] Raid Jacket no Vest [ ] Raid Jacket w/ Vest [ ] Uniform no Vest [ ] Uniform w/ Vest	Other Factors:
Age: [redacted] Height: 5'11" Weight: 200lbs			
Range Qualification Date: [redacted]	PPC Qualification Date: [redacted]	Laser Training Date: [redacted]	
Certified with Weapon Used? [redacted]	Patrol Certification? [redacted]	Certification Unit: [redacted]	Prior Shootings? [redacted] Number of Prior Shootings: [redacted] Directed Force: [redacted]
Weapons Fired Brand: Smith & Wesson	Caliber: 9mm	# Shots: 6	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber: # Shots:
Field Training Officer Emp # [redacted]	Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]	M.I. [redacted]
Field Training Officer Emp # [redacted]	Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]	M.I. [redacted]

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Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Rank:	Unit Assignment:	Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):
ShiftTime (*circle only one*): [ ] EM [ ] PM [ ] Day	ShiftType (*circle only one*): [ ] Regular [ ] Overtime [ ] Off Duty	Intoxication/Drug Usage? [ ]	Substance Used:
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Age: Height: Weight:			
Range Qualification Date:	PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? [ ]	Patrol Certification? [ ]	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? [ ] Number of Prior Shootings: Directed Force: [ ]
Weapons Fired Brand:	Caliber	# Shots	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber # Shots
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
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Weapons Fired Brand:	Caliber	# Shots	Weapons Fired Brand: Caliber # Shots
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.

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Suspect Information

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Suspect Information

S 1

Last Name: Escobar		First Name: Bobby	M.I. A.
AKA Last Name: "Bones", "Halfdead"		First Name:	M.I.
Sex: M Race: H	Street Address: [redacted]	City: [redacted]	State & Zip Code: [redacted]
Work Phone: [redacted]	Home Phone: [redacted]	Social Security #: [redacted]	Driver's License #: [redacted]
Age: 22 D.O.B. 01/11/95	Height: 5'08" Weight: 140lb	FBI #: [redacted]	CII #: [redacted]
Booking #: 4810752	Primary Charge: 25850(A)PC	Secondary Charge: 11350(A) H&S - Warrant	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☑	Apprehended? ☑	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? [redacted]
Vehicle Make: Chevrolet Model: Malibu	Year: 2005 Parole: [redacted]	Probation: [redacted]	Prior Felony Conviction: [redacted]

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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
Coroner Case? ☐	Coroner Case #	Intoxication/Drug Usage? ☐	Substance Used:
Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐
Vehicle Make Model:	Year: Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:

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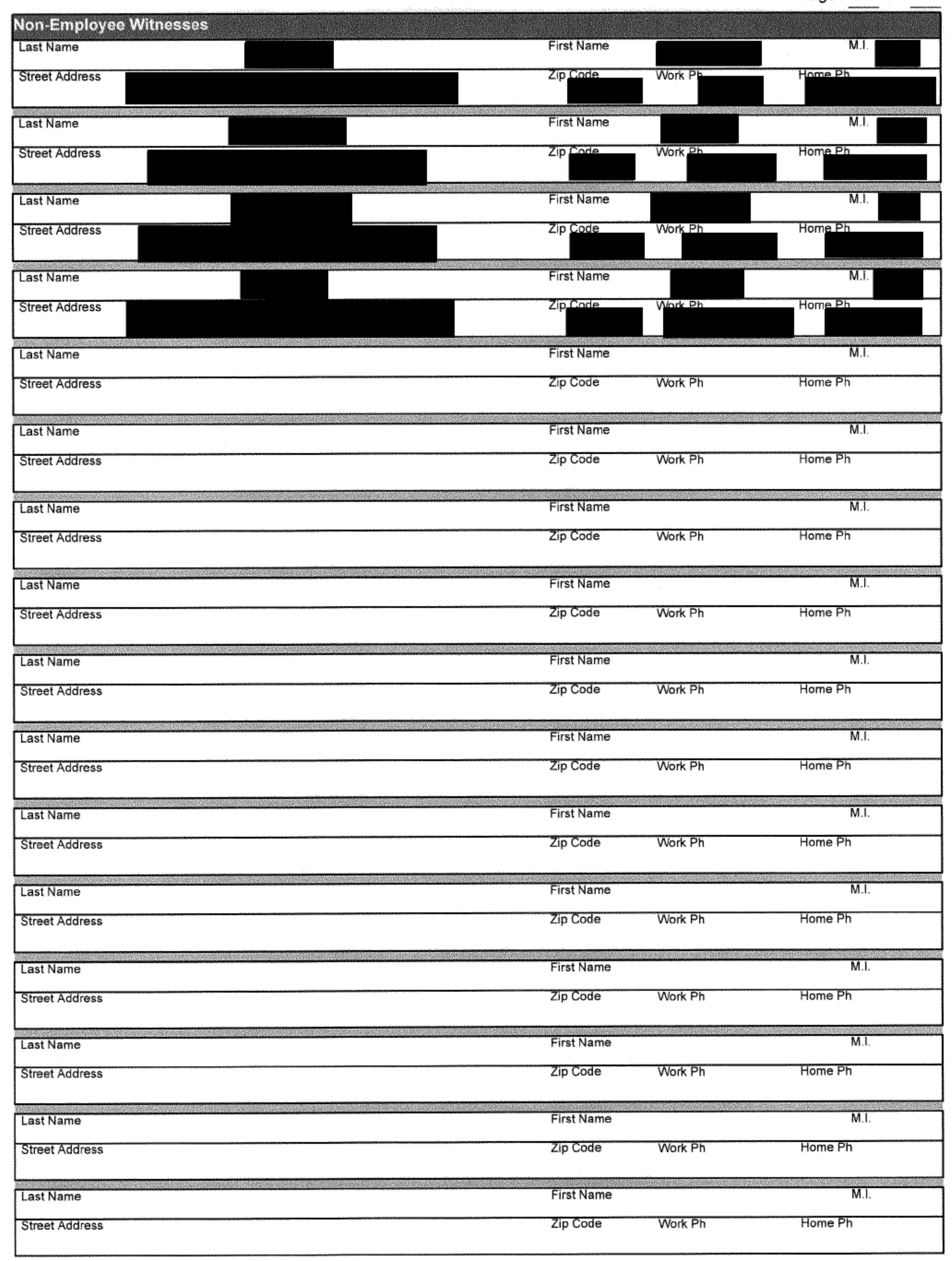
Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
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Last Name		First Name	M.I.
AKA Last Name		First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:	Street Address:	City	State & Zip Code:
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	Social Security #:	Driver's License #:
Age: D.O.B.	Height: Weight:	FBI #	CII #
Booking #	Primary Charge:	Secondary Charge:	
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Armed? ☐	Apprehended? ☐	Mental Illness? ☐	Criminal History? ☐
Vehicle Make Model:	Year: Parole:	Probation:	Prior Felony Conviction:

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SUPPLEMENTAL NON-EMPLOYEE WITNESSES
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Non-Employee Witnesses

Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]			M.I. [redacted]
Street Address [redacted]	Zip Code [redacted]	Work Ph [redacted]	Home Ph [redacted]	
Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]			M.I. [redacted]
Street Address [redacted]	Zip Code [redacted]	Work Ph [redacted]	Home Ph [redacted]	
Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]			M.I. [redacted]
Street Address [redacted]	Zip Code [redacted]	Work Ph [redacted]	Home Ph [redacted]	
Last Name [redacted]	First Name [redacted]			M.I. [redacted]
Street Address [redacted]	Zip Code [redacted]	Work Ph [redacted]	Home Ph [redacted]	
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SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYEE WITNESSES
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Employee Witnesses

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	Street Address	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Mezzano	Christian	A.	4331 Lennox Boulevard, Ingelwood CA.	90304	310-680-2539	
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	
[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	
Valencia	Joseph	L.	1 Cumpania Circle, Monterey Park CA.	91755	323-890-5500	

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT: **On-Duty Hit Shooting, Suspect Injured**

IAB FILE NUMBER: **SH 2423578**

URN#: **017-03859-0491-055**

DATE/TIME: **March 14, 2017, 1431 hours**

LOCATION: **[redacted] Mulberry Drive, Whittier**

SYNOPSIS

On Tuesday, March 14, 2017, an Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Force and Shooting Rollout Team comprised of Lieutenant Albert Maldonado, Sergeant David Moore, and Sergeant Nader Chahine, responded to an on-duty hit shooting in the city of Whittier, involving an Operation Safe Streets Bureau/Gang Surveillance Unit (GSU) detective. As a result of the shooting, Suspect Bobby Escobar received multiple gunshot wounds to his upper and lower body.

> **IAB NOTE: The GSU Unit is a specialized team capable of performing mobile and fixed post surveillance operations, locating and apprehending wanted suspects, executing search and arrest warrants, preparation of affidavits, operational planning, execution of probation/parole searches, and investigating crimes committed by a gang member or a gang associate.**

Lieutenant Maldonado ensured the Norwalk Station Watch Commander, Lieutenant Jeffrey Dusky took reasonable steps to ensure the involved parties and witnesses did not discuss the incident amongst themselves, or with uninvolved persons, prior to being interviewed by the assigned investigators.

Additionally, Lieutenant Maldonado ensured Lieutenant Dusky knew the aforementioned parties should not collectively consult with their attorney or representative. Lieutenant Maldonado confirmed the involved personnel and witness personnel were gathered in the company of a supervisor until they provided a statement to the assigned investigators.

Detectives Howard Cooper, #[redacted] and Gail Durham, #[redacted] from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau arrived and assumed control of the investigation. For further information, refer to the Homicide case book, under file number 017-03859-0491-055 **[EXHIBIT A]**.

SUMMARY

On March 14, 2017, Detective Matthew Landreth was assigned to GSU and working in the Norwalk/Pico Rivera area. He was part of a team conducting surveillance at [redacted] in the city of [redacted] (target location). The target location was being surveilled for a male Hispanic by the name of Bobby Escobar (suspect).

Suspect Escobar is a known "Pico Nuevo" gang member who frequented the target location, as it belonged to the [redacted] Witness [redacted] At the time of this incident, Suspect Escobar had [redacted] was for Suspect Escobar [redacted] in a vehicle, and [redacted] was for Suspect Escobar [redacted] **[EXHIBIT B]**.

As the lead investigator, Detective David Rodriguez coordinated the operation and completed a "GSU Surveillance and Apprehension Investigative Worksheet" **[EXHIBIT C]**. On March 14, 2017, at approximately 0800 hours, he conducted a surveillance briefing in the East Los Angeles Station OSS office. The briefing was attended by members of GSU, including a United States Marshal (U.S. Marshal), [redacted]

Detective Rodriguez assigned members of the team to strategic positions near the target location. The team arrived at their positions at approximately 1345 hours. Members of the team took their positions in unmarked vehicles. The team included a two-person takedown unit consisting of Deputies [redacted] and [redacted]

> **IAB NOTE: A takedown unit is used to conduct a traffic stop in order to identify a driver or a passenger to gather intelligence (i.e., a non-tactical stop known as a "cool stop"). The takedown unit is comprised of uniformed deputies so the occupants of a target vehicle can visibly see they are being detained by Sheriff's Department personnel.**

Approximately twenty minutes after arrival at the target location, a Gold Chevrolet Malibu (the suspect's vehicle) arrived and drove into the driveway of the target location. Detective [redacted], who was assigned to watch the front of the target location, advised other units on scene regarding the suspect's vehicle. He also advised the suspect's vehicle was occupied by a female and an unknown male.

Units were requested to drive by the suspect's vehicle in an effort to identify the male inside. However, prior to any unit being able to complete this task, the suspect's vehicle drove out of the driveway and away from the target location.

Several of the surveilling units left their positions and followed the suspect's vehicle away from target location in an effort to identify the male inside. The suspect's vehicle drove north on Tarryton Avenue then east on Mulberry Drive. Detective Christian Mezzano was the first person to follow the suspect's vehicle onto Mulberry Drive, followed by Detective Adam Navarrette. Detective Landreth was the third vehicle to follow the suspect's vehicle off of Tarryton Avenue and onto Mulberry Drive.

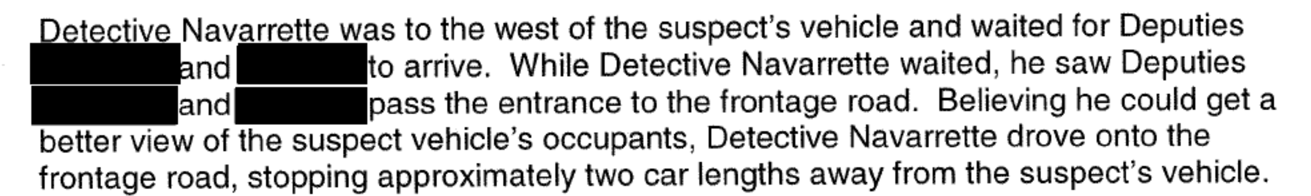
As the suspect's vehicle continued east on Mulberry Drive, it turned south onto a frontage road, which parallels Mulberry Drive. The frontage road is separated from Mulberry Drive by a raised concrete curb and median. The suspect's vehicle entered the frontage road and continued east a short distance to where the frontage road terminated into a cul-de-sac.

> **IAB NOTE: A frontage road is a subsidiary road running parallel to a main road or highway and giving access to houses and businesses.**

Detective Mezzano did not follow the suspect's vehicle onto the frontage road as he felt by following it in, he would have jeopardized his plain clothes status. Subsequently, Detective Mezzano continued driving east on Mulberry Drive.

Detective Navarrette drove east on Mulberry Drive behind Detective Mezzano. When the suspect's vehicle turned onto the frontage road, Detective Navarrette did not want to be identified as a deputy sheriff. He drove past the suspect's vehicle as it conducted a U-turn in the cul-de-sac. The suspect's vehicle parked alongside the north curb of the frontage road, facing west.

Once the suspect's vehicle was parked, deputies on the surveillance team requested the takedown unit to respond to the suspect's vehicle and contact its occupants in an effort to identify them. The other members of the team, who were also in unmarked vehicles, took positions to the north, south, east, and west of the suspect's vehicle, pending the outcome of the takedown unit's contact.


Detective Navarrette was to the west of the suspect's vehicle and waited for Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] to arrive. While Detective Navarrette waited, he saw Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] pass the entrance to the frontage road. Believing he could get a better view of the suspect vehicle's occupants, Detective Navarrette drove onto the frontage road, stopping approximately two car lengths away from the suspect's vehicle.

Detective Navarrette drove toward the suspect's vehicle and identified the male seated in the front passenger seat as Suspect Escobar. They looked at each other as Suspect Escobar stepped out of the vehicle. Detective Navarrette yelled, "Sheriff!" at Suspect Escobar. Suspect Escobar subsequently turned to the north and ran. Detective

Navarrette saw Detective Landreth's grey pick-up truck arrive just to the north of the suspect's vehicle, which appeared to be in Suspect Escobar's path. Detective Navarrette lost sight of Suspect Escobar as he ran to the north of a FedEx truck. The FedEx truck was parked in the middle of the frontage road, west of the suspect's vehicle, blocking Detective Navarrette's view. Moments later, Detective Navarrette heard five to six gunshots. Detective Navarrette did not know who shot at the time.

In an almost simultaneous sequence of events, Detective Landreth was driving east on Mulberry Drive. He noticed the suspect's vehicle stopped on the frontage road facing west and also saw a male seated in the front passenger's seat. As he was monitoring his radio, he heard radio traffic stating units had passed the suspect's vehicle. Detective Landreth saw the male in the passenger seat of the suspect's vehicle and immediately recognized him as Suspect Escobar. As Detective Landreth stopped his vehicle, Suspect Escobar exited his vehicle with a handgun in his right hand. Detective Landreth subsequently un-holstered his handgun and exited his vehicle. As he looked over the bed of his truck, Detective Landreth saw the suspect running in a northwest direction (diagonally) toward the back of his truck. At this point, Detective Landreth sought cover behind the bed of his truck.

Detective Landreth pointed his handgun at Suspect Escobar as he ran toward him. Detective Landreth gave Suspect Escobar commands to, "Get on the ground!" as he (Suspect Escobar) rapidly approached. Detective Landreth saw Suspect Escobar raise his handgun upward, pointing it toward him. Detective Landreth feared for the safety of civilians standing at a fruit stand in close proximity to the area. He also feared Suspect Escobar could try to steal his vehicle and flee the area.

Detective Landreth moved toward the rear driver's side corner of his truck, closing the distance between himself and Suspect Escobar. When he reached the corner of his truck, Suspect Escobar, still pointing his handgun at Detective Landreth, was now approximately two to three feet away from Detective Landreth. Detective Landreth, fearing he was going to be shot, fired three rounds at Suspect Escobar's torso. Suspect Escobar fell to the ground and rolled toward Detective Landreth. Suspect Escobar was still holding his handgun and pointing it at Detective Landreth, when Detective Landreth fired three additional rounds at Suspect Escobar.

After the second volley of gunshots, Suspect Escobar lost control of his handgun. Detective Landreth stepped toward Suspect Escobar and used his left foot to move Suspect Escobar's handgun away.

Believing Suspect Escobar shot Detective Landreth, Detective Navarrette hurriedly exited his vehicle without placing it in park. This caused Detective Navarrette's vehicle to continue forward, until it collided with the suspect's vehicle.

Detective Navarrette saw Detective Landreth detaining Suspect Escobar who was on the ground, just north of Detective Landreth's vehicle. Using his handheld radio, Detective Navarrette broadcasted emergent radio communication advising of the shooting.

Moments later, Deputy [redacted] arrived and handcuffed Suspect Escobar. Detective [redacted] and U.S. Marshal [redacted] also arrived. U.S. Marshal [redacted] and Detective [redacted] used towels to apply pressure to Suspect Escobar's wounds until the arrival of medical personnel.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S LETTER OF OPINION

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office reviewed the shooting of Suspect Escobar by Detective Landreth.

In their letter of opinion, dated July 10, 2018, Deputy District Attorney Shannon Presby concluded Detective Landreth acted lawfully and in self-defense, when he used deadly force against Suspect Escobar **[EXHIBIT D]**.

INVOLVED PERSONNEL AND WORK HISTORY

Matthew Landreth, Detective, #[redacted]
Detective Division
Operation Safe Streets Bureau
Gang Surveillance Unit

Work History

Date of Employment:	March 01, 2006
Date Assigned to Patrol:	[redacted]
Date Completed Patrol Training:	
Date Assigned to Operation Safe Streets:	August 16, 2009
Prior Shooting Incident(s):	[redacted]
Prior Founded Force Incident(s):	

Equipment Worn on Person

Smith and Wesson, model M&P, 9mm semi-automatic handgun, with two magazines.

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Bobby Anthony Escobar - Male, Hispanic, DOB: January 11, 1995, 5'09", 140 pounds, injured. CII #[redacted], MAIN #[redacted] FBI #[redacted]

The Consolidated Criminal History Reporting System (CCHRS) revealed Suspect Escobar had [redacted]

Suspect Escobar's CCHRS Report was submitted as **[EXHIBIT E]**.

SUSPECT INJURIES

Suspect Escobar received five gunshot wounds according to the medical report. Suspect Escobar had one (1) gunshot wound to his abdomen, one (1) to his left thigh, one (1) to his right hip, one (1) to his pubic area, and one (1) to his left arm. His left arm was fractured as a result of a round impacting his arm. See Suspect Escobar's medical report for further **[EXHIBIT F]**.

DEPUTY INJURIES

None

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

Evidence was documented by Homicide Bureau investigators and Scientific Services Bureau personnel; refer to **[EXHIBIT A, pages 115-117]**.

All physical evidence was photographed, documented, and collected by Forensic Identification Specialists David Ozeta, #[redacted] Nancy Clark, #[redacted] and Deputy Ray Davidson, #[redacted] The overall scene was additionally photographed and sketched by Forensic Identification Specialist Donna Thomas, #[redacted] **[See Miscellaneous Documents]**. Firearms Examiner Tracy Peck, #[redacted] documented and collected firearm related evidence. Senior Criminalist Anny Wu, #[redacted] conducted a function test on Detective Landreth's weapon.

Three DVD's and one CD-R containing crime scene photographs were provided with this case **[EXHIBIT G]**. Additionally, a DVD containing two videos depicting the shooting were also provided with this case **[EXHIBIT H]**.

INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

The scene was described in detail by Homicide Sergeants Domenick Recchia, #[redacted] and John O'Brien, #[redacted] **[EXHIBIT A, pages 68-76]**.

WEAPON USED BY DETECTIVE LANDRETH

Smith and Wesson, model M&P, 9mm semi-automatic handgun serial, #HPS[redacted] Detective Landreth's shooting records indicated he qualified on [redacted]
[See Miscellaneous Documents for his shooting records].

WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT ESCOBAR

A Smith and Wesson, M&P Shield, .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, serial #HLX[redacted]black, loaded with one (1) live .40 caliber round in the chamber, with an attached magazine containing four .40 caliber live rounds. The weapon was fired, for the purposes of entering the information into National Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) by Deputy Craig Johnson, #[redacted] The handgun was determined to be functional. Photographs of Suspect Escobar's handgun can be found in the crime scene photographs **[EXHIBIT G, disc 1 photographs 271-276].**

PROPERTY DAMAGE

Detective Navarrette stated he heard gunshots. Thinking Detective Landreth was shot, he hastily exited his vehicle without placing it in park. His vehicle continued moving and collided with the driver's side of the suspect's vehicle. The collision caused damage to the driver's side front quarter panel of the suspect's vehicle as well as collision damage to the front of the Dodge Charger Detective Navarette was driving. Photographs of the collision were taken by personnel from Scientific Services Bureau **[EXHIBIT G, disc 1, photographs 333-355]**. The collision was documented under file number 917-04273-0491-472 **[See EXHIBIT A, pages 54-58]**.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATORS

The criminal investigation into the shooting was handled by Homicide Bureau Detectives Gail Durham and Howard Cooper. The case was filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court. Suspect Escobar was charged with Assault with a Deadly Weapon with a Firearm, 245(a)(2) P.C.; Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon, 29800(a)(1) P.C.; and Unlawful Possession of Ammunition by a Convicted Felon, 30305(a)(1) P.C. On September 13, 2018, Suspect Escobar plead nolo contendere to one count of Assault with a Deadly Weapon with a Firearm, 245(a)(2)P.C., and was sentenced to five years in state prison **(see Suspect Escobar's Criminal Case Summary in miscellaneous documents)**.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The incident occurred on a residential street in daytime hours, with clear skies.

RADIO TRAFFIC

Personnel utilized S-Tac-3 frequency during their operation. When the shooting occurred, the incident was coordinated over the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC) Access frequency. The radio traffic is contained on one compact disc **[EXHIBIT I]**. The S-TAC-3 audio has a total duration of four minutes and 31 seconds. The SCC Access audio has a total duration of one hour, 46 minutes, and 25 seconds. The following is a timeline of pertinent radio transmissions. The verbiage is a summary of what was said, unless quotations are used.

S-TAC-3

04:19 – "That's the guy! That's the guy!"

SCC Access

42:15 – OSS David Seven requesting the patch, advising of a "998."

42:49 – OSS David Seven requesting 902R, advising "All deputies are accounted for."

43:17 – Inaudible Norwalk unit setting up containment.

44:02 – OSS David Seven requests containment points.

44:45 – OSS David Seven requests a command post to be set up.

46:17 – Norwalk 49 Nora two "code six."

46:23 – Norwalk 49 Zebra "code six."

46:31 – Norwalk 49 Nora Three and 45 King Four "code six."

46:47 – 150 Sam responding.

47:41 – 49 Nora Two responding to Laurel and Mulberry.

47:49 – 49 Nora One Calmata and Mulberry.

48:19 – 45 Tom One Maryknoll and Mulberry.

48:35 – The fire department arrived.

49:08 – 48 David One transporting suspect with fire to hospital.

49:28 – Air Eight is "97."

50:14 – 45 King Two and 45 King One taking containment spot Firebird and Mulberry.

52:36 – 40 Sam 97 at the "CP."

52:41 – CP moved to a mosque just east of Mills and Mulberry.

53:04 – Compton 151 Sam "code six."

53:55 – OSS David Seven advising suspect to be transported to Whittier Presbyterian to transported via helicopter to LA USC LCMC.

54:45 – Air Eight advised area containment complete.

56:22 – CP address broadcasted as 14545 Mulberry Drive.

57:38 – Radio traffic switched to "A-TAC Three."

VIDEO FOOTAGE

Video surveillance **[EXHIBIT H]** was obtained during the investigation. There are two videos. Both videos are from the same front porch camera of a residence located at [redacted] in [redacted] The first video (Incident Video 1) has a total duration of 30 minutes and two seconds. The second video (Incident Video 2) was cut to focus primarily on the incident. This video has a total duration of 39 seconds.

The following is a timeline of significant events depicted on Incident Video 1.

28:41 – Suspect's vehicle parks on Mulberry Drive frontage road.

28:48 – FedEx truck negotiates a U-Turn in the frontage road cul-de-sac.

29:08 – Deputy [redacted] drove past the suspect's vehicle in a white Nissan Quest.

29:33 – Detective Landreth parks his Chevrolet Silverado on Mulberry Drive to the northwest of the suspect's vehicle.

29:35 – Detective Landreth exits his vehicle.

29:36 – Suspect Escobar exits his vehicle and runs to the bed of Detective Landreth's. truck.

29:37 – Detective Landreth shoots Suspect Escobar. Suspect Escobar falls to the ground.

29:39 – Suspect rolls over and Detective Landreth fires a second volley of gunshots.

29:46 – Deputy Navarette arrives and rolls suspect over.

29:50 – Deputy [redacted] arrives in a white Nissan Quest.

29:51 – Deputy David Rodriguez arrives in a Ford Flex.

The following is a timeline of events depicted on Incident Video 2.

00:10 – Detective Landreth stops his vehicle.

00:11 – Detective Landreth exits his vehicle.

00:13 – Suspect Escobar exits his vehicle.

00:14 – Suspect Escobar runs toward the back of Detective Landreth's truck.

00:14 – Detective Landreth shoots Suspect Escobar. Suspect Escobar falls to the ground.

00:16 – Detective Landreth fires a second volley of gunshots.

00:19 – Detective Navarrette arrives and rolls the suspect over.

00:26 – Deputy [redacted] arrives in a white Nissan Quest.

00:27 – Deputy David Rodriguez arrives in a Ford Flex.

STATEMENTS

All interviews conducted in this case by IAB investigators and Homicide investigators were audio recorded and transcribed. The following summaries are a combined summation of the actual interviews. For verbatim statements, and exact wording, refer to the transcripts.

The photographs referenced during the IAB employee witness interviews and the IAB involved employee interview are combined into one exhibit, **[EXHIBIT J]**. The photographs presented during these interviews aided in identifying approximate locations of personnel, personnel's observations, and in the case of Detective Landreth, the clothing he wore during the incident.

EMPLOYEE WITNESSES

DETECTIVE DAVID RODRIGUEZ

Homicide Interview

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Investigators Chaffey Shepherd, #[redacted] and Jonas Shipe, #[redacted] interviewed Detective Rodriguez. A summary of the interview can be found in the Homicide Case Book **[EXHIBIT A, pages 65-66]**.

Internal Affairs Bureau Interview

On October 10, 2018, an IAB Investigator interviewed Detective Rodriguez at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. Detective Rodriguez stated he was the investigating officer for the case involving Suspect Escobar.

Detective Rodriguez gathered the intelligence on Suspect Escobar and authored a "GSU Surveillance and Apprehension Investigative Worksheet" **[EXHIBIT B]**.

Detective Rodriguez briefed the surveillance team, wherein he assigned the GSU team members to specific locations to surveil the address on Tarryton Avenue. After the briefing concluded, the team drove to Tarryton Avenue to surveil the target location.

Detective Rodriguez was parked on Terryton Avenue approximately five houses south of the target location **[Refer to EXIBIT J, Rodriguez photo 1]**. Using binoculars, he was able to see the target location from his position. He saw a vehicle arrive at the target location and leave shortly thereafter. Detective Rodriguez saw a female inside of the vehicle and believed he saw a male, as the vehicle drove away. He advised the other units to follow the suspect's vehicle away from the target location to try and identify the male inside. Detective Rodriguez drove away from the target location to assist.

Detective Rodriguez drove east on Mulberry Drive with the other units. He drove past the entrance to the frontage road, passing the suspect's vehicle. Detective Rodriguez made a U-turn at Calmada Avenue in an effort to return to the suspect vehicle's location.

When Detective Rodriguez returned, he parked to the northeast of Detective Landreth's vehicle, **[Refer to EXHIBIT J, Rodriguez photo 2]**, where he saw two deputies standing over Suspect Escobar, handcuffing him. He did not hear any gunfire, or see the shooting.

DETECTIVE [redacted]

Homicide Interview

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Investigators Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Detective [redacted] A summary of this interview can be found in the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, page 66]**.

Internal Affairs Bureau Interview

On October 17, 2018, IAB Investigators interviewed GSU Detective [redacted] at the Internal Affairs Bureau office. He stated he was assigned to a post on Maryknoll Street, which is to the rear of the target location **[Refer to EXHIBIT J, [redacted] photo 1]**. Although he did not have a visual of the target location, Detective [redacted] heard (via his radio) that the suspect's vehicle had arrived at the target location, stayed for a short period of time, then drove away.

Detective [redacted] heard radio traffic indicating units were needed to follow the suspect's vehicle, to try and identify the occupants. Initially, Detective [redacted] remained at the target location; however, when units were requested to respond toward Mulberry Drive, he left his position and responded to the area of the traffic stop. Detective [redacted] drove a white Nissan Quest van on the day of the incident.

Detective [redacted] drove past the suspect's vehicle parked in the cul-de-sac, because he did not see it. He continued to Calmada Avenue, turned around, and returned to the location of the suspect's vehicle.

When he returned to the suspect's vehicle, he saw Detective Landreth, outside of his vehicle, standing near Suspect Escobar, who was laying on the ground. As he exited his vehicle, he heard radio traffic advising units of the shooting. U.S. Marshal [redacted] who was also on scene, obtained towels. Detective [redacted] and U.S. Marshal [redacted] used the towels to apply pressure to Suspect Escobar's wounds until fire department personnel arrived. Detective [redacted] did not hear or see the shooting. He also did not remember if he or Deputy Landreth handcuffed Suspect Escobar.

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] IAB Investigators reviewed the transcripts and summaries of these interviews. Their statements were consistent insofar as they all attended the briefing regarding the incident, and were in close proximity to the shooting when it occurred. All heard multiple gunshots but did not see the shooting take place. With the exception of Detective [redacted] none of them had contact with Suspect Escobar. Detective [redacted] merely assisted in handcuffing Suspect Escobar. Summaries of these interviews can be found in the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 63-67]**.

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham interviewed Detective Navarrette. IAB investigators reviewed the transcript and summary of this interview. Detective Navarrette also made statements consistent with Deputies [redacted] and [redacted] He did not see the shooting take place, but heard multiple (five to six) gunshots. Detective Navarrette assisted in providing medical attention to Suspect Escobar by placing a towel under Suspect Escobar's head. His interview, including statements on his brief contact with Suspect Escobar and the traffic incident, can be found in the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 84-86]** as well as the interview transcripts.

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham interviewed Detective Mezzano. Sergeant Joseph Valencia and Detective [redacted] were interviewed by Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe. IAB Investigators reviewed the transcripts and summaries of these interviews.

Their statements were consistent insofar as they did not see or hear the shooting. Additionally, none of them had contact with Suspect Escobar. Summaries of these interviews scan be found the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 86-89 for Detective Mezzano, page 62 for Sergeant Valencia, and page 65 for Detective [redacted].**

NON-EMPLOYEE WITNESSES

U.S. MARSHAL [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. U.S. Marshal [redacted] did not see or hear the shooting. He merely responded to the location of the shooting and provided medical assistance to Suspect Escobar after the shooting occurred. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 66-67]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. Witness [redacted] stated he is a [redacted] and was near a fruit stand, approximately two car lengths west of where the shooting occurred. He heard Detective Landreth give Suspect Escobar commands to "No move." He subsequently saw Detective Landreth shoot Suspect Escobar. Witness [redacted] heard approximately seven gunshots. He did not see a handgun in Suspect Escobar's hand prior to the shooting. After Suspect Escobar fell to the ground, Witness [redacted] saw a handgun next to Suspect Escobar's body. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 59-60]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview. Witness [redacted] saw Suspect Escobar run into the street. She subsequently saw Detective Landreth shoot Suspect Escobar. When she heard the gunshots, she jumped to the back of her vehicle. She did not see a handgun in Suspect Escobar's hand. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, page 61]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and

transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. Witness [redacted] did not see the shooting but heard four to five gunshots. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 61-62]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Witness [redacted] was interviewed by Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham. IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. Witness [redacted] stated she is the [redacted] of Suspect Escobar's [redacted] She was the driver of the suspect's vehicle. She did not see the shooting but heard the gunshots. She stated she did not know Suspect Escobar was carrying a handgun until she saw it next to Suspect Escobar after the shooting. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 79-82]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. Witness [redacted] stated heard a man yelling, but could not make out exactly what was said. Approximately the same time, she heard four gunshots. Witness [redacted] did not see the shooting. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 82-84]**.

WITNESS [redacted]

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Shepherd and Shipe interviewed Witness [redacted] IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. Witness [redacted] stated he saw Detective Landreth exit his truck, and heard him (Detective Landreth) tell Suspect Escobar to, "Stop right there!" He subsequently heard four or five gunshots. After the gunshots were fired and Suspect Escobar was on the ground, Witness [redacted] heard Detective Landreth say, "Stay there, stay there!" Witness [redacted] saw a firearm on the ground near Suspect Escobar after he fell to the ground. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, page 60].**

SUSPECT BOBBY ESCOBAR

On March 16, 2017, Homicide Investigators Cooper and Durham responded to USC Medical Center to speak with Suspect Escobar. IAB investigators reviewed the Homicide Detectives' summary, the audio, and transcripts of this interview and found them to be consistent. The following is a summary of the interview.

Suspect Escobar stated he ran from deputies on March 14, 2017, because he has many enemies in Whittier and he did not know who the people were who were closing in on

him. Suspect Escobar started carrying the gun he had shortly after he was stabbed at a park in Whittier. On March 14, 2017, Suspect Escobar was carrying the handgun in his pocket. Suspect Escobar did not respond when asked if his handgun was still in his pocket when he ran from his vehicle. He denied belonging to a gang. For the full summary of this interview, refer to the Homicide Casebook **[EXHIBIT A, pages 92-94]**.

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE

DETECTIVE MATTHEW LANDRETH

Homicide Interview

On March 14, 2017, Detective Landreth was interviewed by Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham. A summary of the interview can be found in the Homicide Case Book **[EXHIBIT A, pages 89-92]**.

Homicide Round Count

On March 14, 2017, Homicide Detectives Cooper and Durham conducted a round count of Detective Landreth's firearm, a 9mm Smith & Wesson M&P. The serial number was not available during the round count as it was concealed by a laser sight Detective Landreth installed on the firearm. The handgun had a total of twelve rounds, one in the chamber and eleven in the magazine. Detective Landreth told Homicide investigators he had eighteen rounds in his firearm when he began his shift, one in the chamber and seventeen in the magazine.

Internal Affairs Bureau Interview

On September 24, 2018, Detective Landreth was interviewed by IAB investigators. Later that day, Detective Landreth submitted a statement regarding the incident via email to IAB Sergeant David Moore **[EXHIBIT K]**. This statement was included in the combined summary of interview statements below.

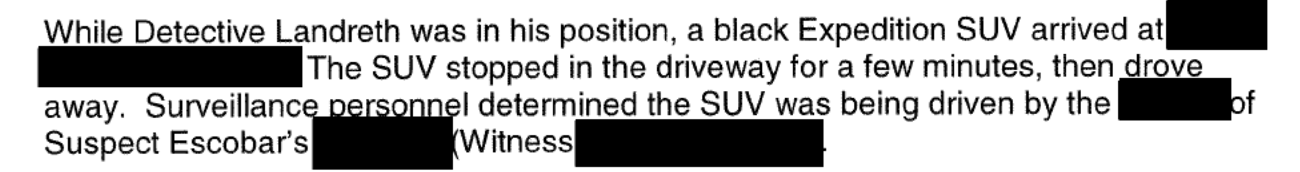
Detective Landreth and other members of GSU were tasked to conduct a surveillance operation to locate Suspect Escobar. The team was given a briefing on the day of the operation by Detective Rodriguez.

At the briefing, Detective Landreth learned of Suspect Escobar's criminal history and the [redacted] Additionally, Suspect Escobar had violated [redacted] and was currently being sought by the [redacted] Department. It was stated during the briefing, Suspect Escobar was aware of his fugitive status.

Detective Rodriguez briefed personnel regarding information which had been told to OSS investigators about Suspect Escobar's involvement in a recent car to car shooting, and that he had recently been seen in possession of a revolver. After the briefing, the GSU team responded to the target location.

Detective Landreth drove his assigned unmarked vehicle to the target location and positioned himself on Tarryton Avenue, approximately eight houses south of the target location along the east curb line **[EXHIBIT J, Landreth photo 4]**. Detective Landreth's vehicle was a silver Chevrolet Silverado quad-cab pickup truck. The truck was equipped with a takedown light, emergency lights, as well as a siren and radio. The lights can only be seen if turned on (activated). The vehicle is not marked with any Sheriff's Department identifiers **[EXHIBIT J, Landreth photographs 2 and 3]**.

Detective Landreth was dressed in a fluorescent yellow construction vest, with fluorescent illuminating stripes, a green short sleeve shirt, and light green pants. He wore a thigh-high holster on his right leg which carried his Department issued Smith and Wesson M&P 9mm handgun. His uniform badge was attached to the thigh high holster **[EXHIBIT J, Landreth photo 1]**. There were no Sheriff's Department markings on the fluorescent vest.



While Detective Landreth was in his position, a black Expedition SUV arrived at [redacted] The SUV stopped in the driveway for a few minutes, then drove away. Surveillance personnel determined the SUV was being driven by the [redacted] of Suspect Escobar's [redacted] (Witness [redacted].

Shortly after the SUV left the target location, the suspect's vehicle drove into the driveway. Team members were able to determine the suspect's vehicle was being driven by a female, but there was also a male passenger in the front seat. Team members could not determine the identity of the passenger. Detective Landreth saw the suspect's vehicle drive away from the target location after being there for only a few seconds. The suspect's vehicle drove north on Tarryton Avenue then east on Mulberry Drive.

Detective Landreth heard Detective Navarrette request additional surveillance units and the takedown unit to drive toward the suspect's vehicle to try and identify the occupants. Detective Landreth left his position and drove east on Mulberry Drive. He saw some of their surveillance units turning around ahead of him.

Detective Landreth heard Detective Navarrette advise via radio, the units had passed the suspect's vehicle which was now parked on a frontage road off Mulberry Drive, along the north curb, facing west. Detective Landreth continued to drive east on Mulberry Drive, toward the suspect's vehicle. Detective Landreth saw a large white FedEx truck and a white GMC Terrain parked on the side frontage road. Initially, he could not see beyond those two vehicles parked on the frontage road. Detective Landreth drove by the entrance to the frontage road not realizing the opening was there.

Detective Landreth, not seeing the suspect's vehicle, and still unsure if the front passenger was Suspect Escobar, continued past the Fedex truck. Once past the FedEx truck, Detective Landreth saw the suspect's vehicle stopped on the frontage road

facing west. Detective Landreth saw a male in the front passenger seat of the suspect's vehicle. The male appeared to be exiting the suspect's vehicle. Detective Landreth immediately stopped his vehicle and exited. Simultaneously, Detective Landreth heard Detective Navarrette advise over the radio he had identified the male in the suspect's vehicle as Suspect Escobar.

Upon seeing the male exiting the suspect's vehicle, Detective Landreth immediately recognized him as Suspect Escobar. Detective Landreth stopped and put his vehicle into park. He subsequently saw Suspect Escobar step out of the suspect's vehicle holding a handgun in his right hand **[Refer to IAB transcripts, page 29, lines 22-24]**. Detective Landreth un-holstered his handgun and stepped out of his vehicle. As Detective Landreth looked over the bed of his truck, he saw Suspect Escobar running in a northwest direction (diagonally) toward the back of his (Detective Landreth's) truck **[Refer to EXHIBIT J, Landreth photo 6]**.

Detective Landreth was aware when he stepped out of his truck, he was not wearing his ballistic vest; his vest was lying on the backseat of his truck. As part of a surveillance team, they train to blend in with the community. Wearing a vest would have prohibited him from blending in **[Refer to IAB transcripts, page 28, lines 12-15]**. His vest was a coyote color, with Sheriff's emblems affixed to the front and back.

Aware he was not wearing his ballistic vest, Detective Landreth's first concern was to seek cover. Detective Landreth used the bed of his truck for cover as he attempted to contact Suspect Escobar. Detective Landreth pointed his weapon at Suspect Escobar and gave him commands "Get on the ground!" Suspect Escobar, carrying a handgun in his right hand, looked toward Detective Landreth and raised his weapon upward, pointing it toward Detective Landreth.

Detective Landreth became concerned for the civilians he saw standing near a fruit stand, and feared Suspect Escobar could take one as a hostage. Additionally, Detective Landreth feared Suspect Escobar may attempt to take his own vehicle to avoid capture **[Refer to IAB transcripts, page 33, lines 14-19]**. Detective Landreth saw Suspect Escobar change direction, from a northwest diagonal direction, to more of a north direction. Suspect Escobar appeared to be running toward the rear of Detective Landreth's truck.

Detective Landreth moved toward the rear driver's side corner of his truck to close the distance between himself and Suspect Escobar. He did this to ensure if a shooting were to occur, his shots would be accurate **[Refer to IAB transcripts, page 33, lines 26-35]**. Upon reaching the rear corner of his truck, Detective Landreth was met by Suspect Escobar, who was now two to three feet away from him. Suspect Escobar held his handgun in his right hand at waist level, pointing it at Detective Landreth. Fearing he was going to be shot, and believing he had no other option, he fired three rounds at Suspect Escobar's torso. Suspect Escobar fell to the ground and rolled toward Detective Landreth while still pointing the handgun at him. Detective Landreth fired three additional rounds at Suspect Escobar.

After the second volley of gunshots, Suspect Escobar rolled to his stomach and lost control of his handgun. Detective Landreth stepped closer to Suspect Escobar and moved the handgun away from Suspect Escobar with his left foot.

Detective Landreth believed the entire incident took place quickly. He estimated the time from when he first became aware Suspect Escobar was exiting the suspect's vehicle, until the time of the shooting, was approximately five seconds. Detective Landreth saw Detective [redacted] approach Suspect Escobar moments after the shooting, and handcuffed Suspect Escobar. Detective Landreth took towels he had in his truck and gave them to Detective [redacted] who applied direct pressure to Suspect Escobar's wounds. Detective Landreth was driven back to Norwalk Station by Sergeant Annie Walters, #[redacted]